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Supplemental Examiner's amendment and Interview summary attached.

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### **DETAILED ACTION**

This application is a 371 national stage filing of PCT/AU97/00492, filed August 1, 1997, which claims benefit of 60/024,279, filed August 21, 1996.

Claims 36-55 have been allowed.

#### Examiner's Amendment

An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Rebecca A. Bortolotti on August 25, 2005 (also see the Interview summary).

The application has been amended as follows:

In the specification, page 9, line 25, insert the following paragraph:

--The patent or application file contains at least one drawing executed in color. Copies of this patent or patent application publication with color drawing(s) will be provided by the Office upon request and payment of the necessary fee.--

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#### Examiner's Comments

Upon review of the disclosure it has been found that color drawings have been filed.

Color photographs and color drawings are not accepted unless a petition filed under 37 CFR 1.84(a)(2) is granted. Any such petition must be accompanied by the appropriate fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(h), three sets of color drawings or color photographs, as appropriate. The supplemental amendment has been made in order to satisfy the requirement that the brief description of the drawings section of the specification:

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It is noted that color photographs will be accepted if the conditions for accepting color drawings and black and white photographs have been satisfied. See 37 CFR 1.84(b)(2).

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Joseph Woitach whose telephone number is (571) 272-0739.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Ram Shukla, can be reached at (571) 272-0735.

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application should be directed to the Group analyst Dianiece Jacobs whose telephone number is (571) 272-0532.

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